

Chirton & Conock Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting
held at The Old School, Chirton
on Tuesday 13th February 2024 at 7.15pm

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The public and press were invited to attend this meeting via notice boards and on Chirton PC Website <https://www.chirtonandconock-pc.org.uk>

Present: Phillippa Radford-Howes, Chair (PRH), Gerald Lanfear (GL), Paul Mills, Vice-Chair (PM), Tim Burgess (TB).

Attendees: Susannah Lampard (Clerk)
 Sharon Prance (RFO)
 Councillor Paul Oatway

Part I

135 Welcome by Chair and received apologies for absence - Christopher Chapman (CC),

136 Receive declarations of interest or requests for dispensation – None.

Item brought forward for PO to address at this point in the Meeting. Cllr. PO reported that WC are due to set their budgets.

138 Matters Arising/Outstanding from previous Meetings.

Ongoing: (November Minutes Item 90 & December item 109) **Ditches and Flooding in Small Street.**

PO plans to check the Small Street ditches are continuing to flow. The Chair reports that they are running well to date. RPH also reports that Wessex Water have been out and answered her question regarding pumps working but reports of serious flooding in Marden. She was informed that Engineers await better dry weather before they can look at the problem.

PO to Highways – state of disrepair on A342 - works to be undertaken on schedule some of which has been withdrawn. PO has raised this with Highways in view of the fact works have been removed from list and has asked for an explanation. Clerk to look out for an email from Wilsford/Charlton St. Peter.

137 Item to be carried over to March Meeting:

Receive and approve Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 9th January 2024 and will be received and signed at the Full Meeting of the PC in March.

Return to Items in order.

139 New Representations from Members of the Public for any items not listed on the Agenda
 Ongoing: LHFIG Online Meeting held 31.1.24 Report (TB) 20mph Issue No:10-20-9 - List of works and traffic counters. Cllr. TB reported that he had attended the meeting at the end of January and to date it is promised that this next phase will be going ahead in Chirton and Conock. PO added that at the same meeting a reported underspend of funds will be carried over to next financial Year.

Clerk received email from Parishioner on Andover Road, reporting that the collapse of an historic outbuilding in The Street, has been made worse since a wall collapsed during recent high winds. The reports from Councillors present that are aware of the building and the owners intentions, are that quotations are being sought to rebuild the out-building and that the PC have already been in touch with Wiltshire Council and request they visit the site to assess whether safety measures should be in place if required.

140 FINANCE

- a. **Approve Cash Book** and Bank Reconciliation statements January 2024
 i. **Treasurers account = £323.30**
 ii. **Savings account = £20,349.98**
Total unrestricted = £7044.19
- b. **Approve Cash Book** and Bank Reconciliation statement January 2024
 i. **Chirton Parish Hall Account = £10,016.45**
- c. **New Invoices** to be agreed

Invoice No.	Supplier	Description	Net	Vat	Total
P386	ONOS	February 24 Website+ storage	£18.00	£3.60	£21.60
P387	Chirton PCC	Use of church	£500		£500.00
TOTAL			£518.00	£3.60	£521.60

Discussed and Agreed/Approved and signed

- d. **Budget & EMRs**
- £2000 is put aside for the 20mph LHFIG project.
 - Outstanding Kerbing and Bollard Invoice to The PC £2,320.00
Increase EMR by £500
 - Add EMR - £400 for a kissing gate

DISCUSSED, PROPOSED PRH, SECONDED PM. AGREED

- e. **Quotations** - Agree any current or discuss new requirements.
 Solicitors Quotation for Land Transfer Deed from Goughs up to £1500 - set up EMR

DISCUSSED, PROPOSED PM, SECONDED GL AGREED

141 PC Steward - Update by Chair to inform the PC of the amount of Pot Holing work that WC inform us has taken precedence over our Parish Stewardship.

142 Memorial Stone

- TB working on research of new name for future Agenda item.

143 Planning Applications

- Application Ref PL/2024/00131 - Householder Application Address: Church Mill House, Patney Weir, Patney Road, Chirton, Devizes, Wilts, SN10 3QX Proposal: Demolition of existing outbuilding and reconstruction to form Artists Studio and associated works. (Replacement for expired application E/11/0623/FUL) Respond By 01-03-2024 – No Objection, however in Comments a Building Management strategy to help with Road subsidence would be a preferred outcome.
- **PL/2023/09849** 30 The Street, Householder PP single story extension. Separate single storey building. **Comments submitted 6.2.24 - No Objection.**

144 Late Planning Applications – none.

145 Next Parish Council Meeting to be held 12th March 2024 at 7.15pm at The Old School, Chirton. Village Hall Meeting to be held March 4th 2024. Contact PRH for details.

146 Agree/Approve: Part II Confidentiality

The public and press may be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that publicity might be prejudicial to the public interest as per the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

DISCUSSED and PROPOSED: PRH, SECONDED: PM. AGREED

147 Agenda Business Complete. Chair closes Meeting. The meeting is closed at 20:30

Part II

148 Confidential PRH – raised a discussion of Proposed Land ownership by approach to the PC.

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Agreed and Signed:..... Dated:
Phillippa Radford-Howes - Chair